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**Specification Amendments:**

Please replace the paragraph which starts on page 4, line 22 and ends on page 5, line 2, with the following amended paragraph:

According to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a disk drive which includes a disk drive base. The disk drive further includes a spindle motor hub rotatably coupled to the disk ~~drive~~ base. The disk drive further includes a disk disposed about the hub and having a disk surface. The disk drive further includes a hub flange radially extending from the hub, the hub flange being formed to support the disk at the disk surface. The disk drive further includes a hub flange damping member disposed adjacent and in mechanical communication with the hub flange and the disk surface for damping movement of the disk relative to the hub.